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Location :

The refinery is on the western edge of the town of Gorki, on a fork between the road and the railroad line which branches off from the main line to Lescow.

2. Size :

The total area of the plant is 15 x 1 km. 25X1

3. Equipment :

a. Most conspicuous are three major buildings, about 200 x 100 meters, some distilling columns, 12 to 14 fractioning and tubular boilers, some boiler houses and about 50 large tanks, 10 to 15 meters in diameter and of same height. The whole area of the plant is traversed by many pipe lines, 10 to 60 cm in diameter.

B In addition to the refining and distilling installations there are about 12 cracking installations of obsolete type.

3. Two new up-to-date cracking plants of American origin were erected in the middle of 1947. The operating engineers said that the output of these new cracking plants was allegedly twice the

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aggregate output of the old cracking plant.

4. Production and shipment: The refinery is chiefly to produce aviation gasoline. The shipments of arriving crude oil and outgoing finished product amounted to about 10 oil trains per day with about 30 to 40 tank cars, or a total of nearly 16,000 to 17,000 tons.

5. Laborers:
Permanent service in the plant in three 8-hour shifts. No information on the total number of laborers.

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[REDACTED] Comment:

According to previous information and available records there are numerous refineries on the perimeter of Gorki (56°20'N/44°00'E), such as the Neftegas refinery, the old and new plant "26 Commissars of Baku" and the two lubricant-oil refinery plants of Varinsky and Burnakovski. The largest plant is the Neftegas refinery with a yearly capacity of over one million tons. The others are minor plants with an aggregate annual capacity of about 700,000 tons. The cracking capacity of the Neftegas and "26 Commissars of Baku" was, up to now, estimated at about 900,000 tons per year. The refinery of Neftegas previously also produced high-grade gasolines, chiefly aviation gasoline. Judging from the definite statements by sources the whole refining plant they observed must have a working capacity of at least two million tons per year. (See the figures on arrivals and shipments of crude oil and finished product). Considering this and the stated location, only the Neftegas refinery can be referred to unless all refineries mentioned up to now were united on the same works area as appears probable. The Neftegas refinery is in Gorki-Sormovo, 2 km south of the Volga River, southeast of the Rasnoye Sormovo plant. One source expressly states the name of the plant reported by him to be Neftegas, but gives a different location of the works (not west, but east of the town district). As, according to this, the extension of the cracking installations has allegedly doubled the previous capacity, this statement would also confirm the capacity of the aggregate plant [REDACTED]

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25X1 It must therefore be assumed that [redacted]
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[redacted] describe the same object.

1 Annex;

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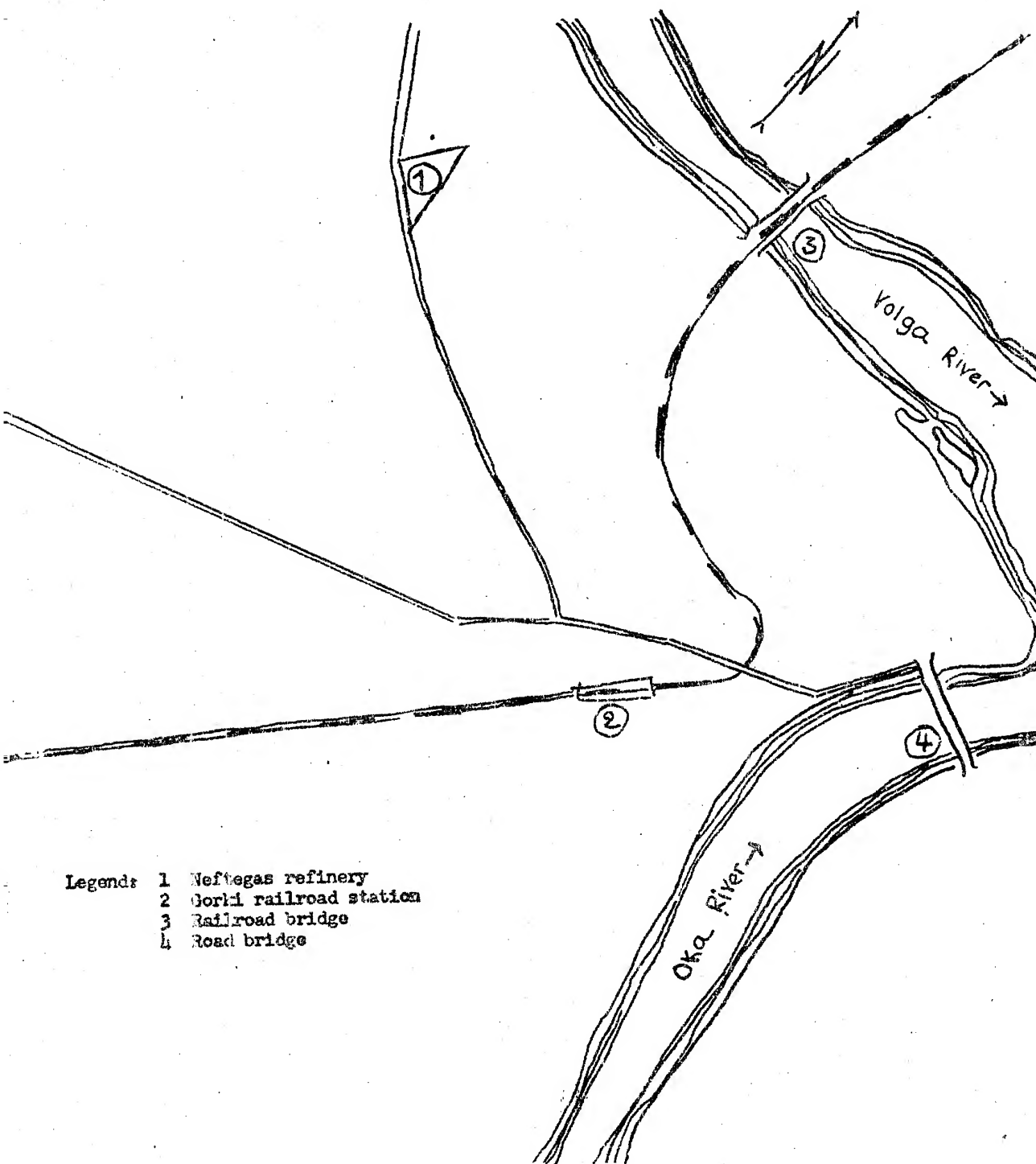
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Refinery and Cracking Plant in Gorki



- Legend:
- 1 Neftegas refinery
 - 2 Gorki railroad station
 - 3 Railroad bridge
 - 4 Road bridge

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